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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P O Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 25, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified U.S. patent application as follows:

Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/APPM/008303/KMT, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 11 of this paper.

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Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 16 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes. Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.

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